

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE BROWN COUNTY FIRE INVESTIGATION TASK FORCE**  
**BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

A meeting of the Board of Directors of the Brown County Fire Investigation Task Force was held on Thursday, June 11, 2020, at 9:00 a.m., at the Brown County Sheriff's Office, 2684 Development Drive, Green Bay, WI.

Present: Brandon Dhuey, Derek Beiderwieden, David Poteat, Rob Goplin, David Lasee

Excused: Brad Brodbeck, Glenn Deviley, Alan Matzke

Item #1. Adoption of the Agenda.

A motion was made by Beiderwieden and seconded by Dhuey to adopt the agenda. **Motion carried.**

Item #2. Review Minutes of Previous Meeting.

A motion was made by Beiderwieden and seconded by Dhuey to approve the minutes from the last meeting on March 12, 2020. **Motion carried.**

Item #3. Report of General Membership Coordinator.

Dhuey reported that the Task Force responded to two fires since the last meeting—one in the Bellevue trailer park and one on Jordan Road in De Pere. He stated the June General Membership meeting was canceled due to COVID-19 restrictions as was the IAAI spring conference. The IAAI fall conference is scheduled for September 22-24 in Grand Chute. He informed that Matt Omdahl from the Sheriff's Office resigned. He also stated that after posting for entry level (Level I) positions, Dan Peterson from Ashwaubenon was interested. An interview will need to be scheduled. A motion was made by Beiderwieden and seconded by Poteat to approve the General Membership report. **Motion carried.**

Item #4. Financial Report.

Poteat passed out copies of the financial report. He noted that about \$1,200 in expenses was incurred since the last meeting. The current balance in the budget is \$25,675.95. A motion was made by Dhuey and seconded by Lasee to approve the financial report. **Motion carried.**

Item #5. Old Business.

A. Disposition of Case Proceedings.

None to report.

- B. Discussion regarding if a member who investigates a fire in his own jurisdiction should get reimbursed by his own department or by the Task Force.

Dhuey checked into this and could not find any invoices showing that the Task Force did this. After a short discussion wherein everyone stated they would not expect to seek reimbursement from the Task Force if one of their employees who is on the Task Force and is working a fire in his/her own jurisdiction where the Task Force is requested, it was agreed the Task Force will not reimburse a department if requested.

Item #6. New Business.

Dhuey stated he posted the Level III investigator opening internally and Tyler Nackers, Joe Young and Carl VandenAvond applied. He feels all three are good candidates. A motion was made by Poteat and seconded by Beiderwieden to approve moving up all three to Level III investigators. **Motion carried.**

Item #7. Report of Juvenile Firesetter Program Coordinator.

Dhuey stated he has not received any information from Green Bay or Angie Cali of any new referrals. A motion was made by Poteat and seconded by Lasee to approve the juvenile firesetter program report. **Motion carried.**

Item #8. Other Matters.

Concerning recent events, Goplin questioned if the Task Force would need to respond to fires set during protests. It was noted that law enforcement uses social media to try to identify suspects. Maybe the Task Force would be called out if a fire were started sometime after destruction by rioters had already been done.

Item #9. Set Date, Time and Location of Next Meeting.

The next meeting was set for Thursday, September 10, 2020, at 9:00 a.m., at the Brown County Sheriff's Office.

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Item #10. Adjourn.

A motion was made by Dhuey and seconded by Beiderwieden to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at approximately 9:35 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Marsha Laurent  
Recording Secretary